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PART 1. -- GENERAL

101. ADVANCE CHANGE TO ARMED SERVICES EXCHANGE REGULATIONS.--The Chairman House Armed Services Committee has approved authorization for dependents of a member of the ready reserve to be permitted to accompany members at the time member exercises exchange privilege. Present directives authorize only the spouse to accompany member. Request this information be given widest dissemination.

102. IMPROPER INDORSED MAILINGS.--A report has been received from the United States Postal Service that some offices are improperly indorsing the mail class on their brown envelopes. Fourth class mail rates start at 1 pound.

103. RECRUITING GIVE AWAY ITEMS.--The recruiting office has on hand frisbees, key chains, pens, litter bags and metric convertors. These items are to be used as publicity give away items at fairs, open houses, etc. Distribution will not be made; therefore, units who anticipate a requirement should order from RRO.

104. USE OF RECRUITERS DURING AT AND UTA.--Stay behind and ET for recruiting has been stopped by Congress. NGB has notified this office that Congress has determined that this is a misuse of training time and must be stopped. No individual of the Montana ARNG will be authorized to perform recruiting duties in lieu of annual training or ET for drill.

105. AGI DATES FOR FY 77-78.--All units, except SHHD, HHT, 163d and 2/163d, will have Annual General Inspections during September 6-16 and 26-30, 1977. SHHD, HHT, 163d and 2/163d will be inspected during the first part of 1978.

PART 2. -- PERSONNEL

201. FEDERAL RECOGNITION BOARD.--The Federal Recognition Board will convene during the week 5-8 July to consider applicants for appointment, promotion and change of branch for the month of July 1977.

202. TECHNICIAN VACANCIES.--The following technician vacancies are announced in the Montana Army National Guard. Refer to Technician Vacancy Announcements posted on unit bulletin boards for details.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Supply Clerk	Helena MT	GS-05
Admin Supply Tech	Billings MT	GS-06

PART 3. -- OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

301. MILITARY USE OF CITIZENS BAND (CB) RADIOS.

1. There have been some reports of RC units using CB Radios for convoy control and other military uses.

2. Commanders at all levels are reminded that CB Radios and/or frequencies are for nongovernmental agencies and use of them for military purposes is strictly prohibited. Commanders will take whatever action is necessary to preclude violation of this policy.

3. Frequencies required to operate military radio nets are available for issue by the Army Frequency Coordinator, PSF Tele: AUTOVON 586-5345 or commercial (415) 561-5345. Under no circumstances will units operate on a frequency without prior approval of this headquarters or the Army Frequency Coordinator.

302. COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF OFFICER COURSE 1-250-C3.

1. Effective upon completion of the Fort Leavenworth final phase class scheduled 31 July - 5 August 1977, the final phase of Command and General Staff Officer Course 1-250-C3 will be discontinued.

2. Beginning in fiscal year 1978, Command and General Staff Officer Course completion will be based upon the following options:

(1) Completion of all six phases of the USAR school program and successful completion of the writing requirement.

(2) Completion of all 15 correspondence course subcourses and successful completion of the writing requirement.

(3) Any appropriate combination of (1) and (2) above.

PART 4. -- SUPPLY

401. FOOD SERVICE, BASIC DAILY FOOD ALLOWANCE.

a. The BDFA for the month of July 1977 has been increased to \$2.97.

b. The maximum authorized meal purchase rates per person, based on this BDFA are as follows:

(1) Meals served in messhalls or armories.

Breakfast - \$.89 ($2.97 + 50\% \times .20\%$)

Lunch - \$1.78 ($2.97 + 50\% \times .40\%$)

Dinner - \$1.78 ($2.97 + 50\% \times .40\%$)

(2) Commercially prepared meals served by Contractors (enlisted personnel only).*

Breakfast - \$1.79 ($2.97 \times 3 \times .20\%$)

Lunch - \$3.56 ($2.97 \times 3 \times .40\%$)

Dinner - \$3.56 ($2.97 \times 3 \times .40\%$)

*Officers and all personnel in a per diem status must pay for their own meals when furnished by a Contractor.

402. MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF ARMY MATERIEL.

a. The Chief of Staff of the Army, General Rogers in a message to MG Weber, Chief, NGB has expressed concern about accountability of Army supplies and equipment. A message transmitted to this headquarters shows that General Weber shares the Chief of Staffs concern. Recent trends concerning supply discipline in our own state clearly show that their concern is well founded. It is obvious that some of our own commanders must address this problem immediately and devote such command emphasis and time as necessary to accomplish the desired results.

b. The complete message is quoted below for your information and guidance.

"MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF ARMY MATERIEL.

1. In reference message, CSA expressed his concern about the control, accountability and care of Army supplies and equipment and that while these problems fall under the purview of logistics or supply discipline, the responsibilities for implementation of this program is with commanders at all levels.

2. Accordingly Gen. Rogers has directed the Inspector General to conduct an audit and inspection of the management and accountability of Army materiel, and the DA DCSLOG, in conjunction with the Army staff has been directed to conduct a comprehensive review of the policies and procedures related to accounting for property, to include the system for relief from accountability.

3. I share Gen. Rogers' concern, particularly in the light of several recent problems experienced in the ARNG. To quote Gen. Rogers 'while this may be commonly termed logistics discipline, I am talking about command discipline and how it is exercised to assure that Army supplies, equipment and resources are properly controlled, cared for and utilized'.

4. Each Adjutant General and commander must give the management and accountability of Army materiel his personal attention. We must instill in each Guardsman a conscious awareness of the importance of logistics discipline."

PART 5. -- FISCAL AND TRANSPORTATION

501. DECREASE IN FEDERAL TAX WITHHOLDING.--In accordance with TWX R311400Z May 77, the following is quoted:

"1. Beginning with the pay for May entitlements, Federal taxes from JUMPS-RC will be withheld at a lesser rate. Most members claiming single status for tax purposes will have approximately \$5.00 to \$8.00 per month less withheld than before, depending on pay rate and number of exemptions claimed. Approximately \$10.00 a month less will be withheld from those claiming married status.

2. Members should be advised that adjustments in the amount of tax withheld can be effected through decrease in number of exemptions claimed and/or use of additional withholding procedures.

3. This is ARNG JUMPS(RC) message 77-12."

502. JUMPS(RC).

1. SFC Conture from the Readiness Region will visit Trp C(-) 1/163d AC, Malta during the period 1-6 Aug 77 and How Btry 2/163d AC, Missoula during 8-13 Aug 77 to perform an indepth review of the Montana ARNG JUMPS(RC) program.

2. The review will determine the accuracy of the pay procedures and maintenance of the PFR.

3. It is requested that units cooperate with SFC Conture and his assistants. Questions that cannot be answered by the unit can be referred to the Military Pay Branch or Personnel Office at Helena.

4. Other units will be contacted to establish dates and times for a review of these files in advance to eliminate any conflict with other activities.

5. The following items are basic causes of incorrect payments or inaccurate records.

a. When a new DA 3298 is prepared, the old form will be retained in the PFR until destruction of the last LES, DA Form 3686, carrying a certification/recertification remark.

b. A copy of the latest promotion order for officers, EM or EW will be maintained in the PFR above the DA Form 3053 and below the file copy of the DA Form 41 or DD Form 93.

c. The LES indicating uniform allowance (\$45.00) for enlisted women is to be treated the same as officer uniform allowance vouchers. File the LES as a permanent document below the DA 3053. If EW was paid in cash prior to departure on ADT, a copy of the voucher, SF 1165 from USP&FO will be filed the same as a LES for Uniform Maintenance allowance.

d. For personnel who are collecting benefits from VA, it will be necessary to retain all DA Forms 3053 each fiscal year estimate and adjustment copies until the destruction of the last LES for which the DA 3053 supports.

e. Improper filing of orders or amendment of orders not filed or posted will make up most of the unit errors in the individual PFR.

f. Dates on ET letters do not agree with the Leave Earning statements (LES) or the monthly DA 1379. ET letters not filed with the monthly DA 1379.

g. FTTD orders not filed with the LES pertaining to pay and not posted to the monthly DA 1379.

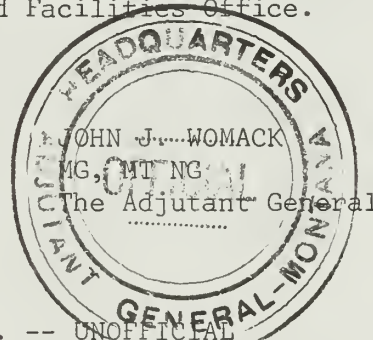
h. If members are participating in the Montana National Guard Association Insurance program, then one copy of the DA 1341 must be filed in the PFR below the DA 41 or DD 93 and above the promotion order.

PART 6. -- MAINTENANCE

PART 7. -- SAFETY

PART 8. -- FACILITIES AND SECURITY

801. MONTANA ARNG FACILITIES SELF-INSPECTION REPORTS.--The Facility Self-Inspection Reports as required by the State of Montana Department of Administration are due to be completed on or near 1 July 77. The completed reports must be forwarded to the Construction and Facilities Office no later than 24 Jul 77. Blank Report Forms are available from the Construction and Facilities Office.



PART 9. -- UNOFFICIAL

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